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the absolute explanation of the whole in the Fatherhood of God and in His gracious will and provision that man should be His son, after the image of His First-born.

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The Documentary Hypothesis Exhibited.

Genesis Printed in Colors, showing the original sources from which it is supposed to have been compiled. With an introduction. By Prof. Edwin Cone Bissell, D. D. Hartford, Conn.: Belknap and Warfield. 1892. Pp. xv, 59. Price, \$1.25.

An excellent piece of work has been done in the preparation of this volume. It is altogether the most perspicuous, compact and neat exhibit of the documentary hypothesis of Genesis to be had. The text of Genesis appears as in an ordinary large print Bible, only the color of the print varies according to the document from which that particular material is supposed to have been taken. Seven different colors are used (the meaning of lemon and orange seems to be reversed in the Introduction, as compared with the Text). The textual analysis presented is that of Kautzsch and Socin, published in Germany last year, and which fairly represents the theory of the Analysts. It is shown in all minute details. The author's purpose was to get the documentary hypothesis before students and the people in a clear, simple way, and thus aid them to an intelligent decision regarding it. He would have every one "prove all things, and hold fast that which is good." In the Introduction Prof. Bissell discusses the theory of an analysis in a scholarly, acute and candid spirit, from a conservative point of view. No better defense of the conservative view has been made. No better authority on the Pentateuch than Prof. Bissell can be named in America. His discussion, therefore, which precedes the text of Genesis, makes the volume doubly acceptable and profitable. The book is cordially recommended to all who are interested in the greatest Old Testament questions of the day. The number and the character of the scholars arrayed on both sides of the question make it impossible to accept the one view or the other on the authority of any Church, or of any individual, apart from one's own candid, intelligent, studious examination of the problem.